

and bring in additional income instead of increasing our debt.

When we talk about job creation, free and fair trade is a vital component to a successful plan. Sixty percent of American exports came from small and medium size businesses. That is huge. Small business is the backbone of our economy. The bottom line is that trade equals jobs.

As I already mentioned, China is bullish on Africa. We need to be too. China is outpacing us in exports to Africa by an alarming 3 to 1 pace. By 2009, China had surpassed us as the African continent's largest trading partner. This bill lets us establish a plan that will allow us to compete with nations like China that are already extremely active in the African market. And that will help our small companies create jobs.

My home State, Arkansas, stands to benefit greatly through the creation of a comprehensive trade plan with Africa. Free and fair trade is an important component to our State's economy. Arkansas exported \$5.6 billion in merchandise overseas in 2011, up 7 percent from the previous year. In 2008, over 1,500 companies exported goods from Arkansas. Over 1/3 of exports were from small and medium-sized businesses with fewer than 500 employees. An effective trade strategy with African nations will help us build on that significantly.

So again, increased trade equals increased jobs at home. America needs jobs. That is what this bill is about. That is why we need to move it quickly in this session.

#### SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 96—RECOGNIZING THE CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL STUDENT EMPLOYMENT WEEK AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA DULUTH

Ms. KLOBUCHAR submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. RES. 96

Whereas National Student Employment Week offers the University of Minnesota Duluth the opportunity to recognize students who work while attending college;

Whereas the University of Minnesota Duluth is committed to increasing awareness of student employment as an educational experience for students and as an alternative to financial aid;

Whereas there are nearly 1,500 student employees at the University of Minnesota Duluth;

Whereas the University of Minnesota Duluth recognizes the importance of student employees to their employers; and

Whereas National Student Employment Week is celebrated the week of April 8 through 12, 2013; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate recognizes the celebration of National Student Employment Week at the University of Minnesota Duluth.

#### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 711. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. REED, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. COWAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 649, to ensure that all individuals who should be prohibited from buying a firearm are listed in the national instant criminal background check system and require a background check for every firearm sale, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 712. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 649, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 713. Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. KING) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 649, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 714. Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. COWAN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. KAINE, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CARPER, Ms. WARREN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. HARKIN)) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. BLUMENTHAL to the bill S. 649, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 715. Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. KIRK, and Mr. SCHUMER) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 649, supra.

#### TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

**SA 711.** Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. REED, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. COWAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 649, to ensure that all individuals who should be prohibited from buying a firearm are listed in the national instant criminal background check system and require a background check for every firearm sale, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

#### TITLE IV—ASSAULT WEAPONS BAN

##### SEC. 401. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the "Assault Weapons Ban of 2013".

##### SEC. 402. DEFINITIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 921(a) of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by inserting after paragraph (29) the following:

"(30) The term 'semiautomatic pistol' means any repeating pistol that—

"(A) utilizes a portion of the energy of a firing cartridge to extract the fired cartridge case and chamber the next round; and

"(B) requires a separate pull of the trigger to fire each cartridge.

"(31) The term 'semiautomatic shotgun' means any repeating shotgun that—

"(A) utilizes a portion of the energy of a firing cartridge to extract the fired cartridge case and chamber the next round; and

"(B) requires a separate pull of the trigger to fire each cartridge."; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

"(36) The term 'semiautomatic assault weapon' means any of the following, regardless of country of manufacture or caliber of ammunition accepted:

"(A) A semiautomatic rifle that has the capacity to accept a detachable magazine and any 1 of the following:

"(i) A pistol grip.

"(ii) A forward grip.

"(iii) A folding, telescoping, or detachable stock.

"(iv) A grenade launcher or rocket launcher.

"(v) A barrel shroud.

"(vi) A threaded barrel.

"(B) A semiautomatic rifle that has a fixed magazine with the capacity to accept more than 10 rounds, except for an attached tubular device designed to accept, and capable of operating only with, .22 caliber rimfire ammunition.

"(C) Any part, combination of parts, component, device, attachment, or accessory that is designed or functions to accelerate the rate of fire of a semiautomatic rifle but not convert the semiautomatic rifle into a machinegun.

"(D) A semiautomatic pistol that has the capacity to accept a detachable magazine and any 1 of the following:

"(i) A threaded barrel.

"(ii) A second pistol grip.

"(iii) A barrel shroud.

"(iv) The capacity to accept a detachable magazine at some location outside of the pistol grip.

"(v) A semiautomatic version of an automatic firearm.

"(E) A semiautomatic pistol with a fixed magazine that has the capacity to accept more than 10 rounds.

"(F) A semiautomatic shotgun that has any 1 of the following:

"(i) A folding, telescoping, or detachable stock.

"(ii) A pistol grip.

"(iii) A fixed magazine with the capacity to accept more than 5 rounds.

"(iv) The ability to accept a detachable magazine.

"(v) A forward grip.

"(vi) A grenade launcher or rocket launcher.

"(G) Any shotgun with a revolving cylinder.

"(H) All of the following rifles, copies, duplicates, variants, or altered facsimiles with the capability of any such weapon thereof:

"(i) All AK types, including the following:  
 "(I) AK, AK47, AK47S, AK-74, AKM, AKS, ARM, MAK90, MISR, NHM90, NHM91, Rock River Arms LAR-47, SA85, SA93, Vector Arms AK-47, VEPR, WASR-10, and WUM.

"(II) IZHMAISH Saiga AK.

"(III) MAADI AK47 and ARM.

"(IV) Norinco 56S, 56S2, 84S, and 86S.

"(V) Poly Technologies AK47 and AKS.

"(ii) All AR types, including the following:

"(I) AR-10.

"(II) AR-15.

"(III) Armalite M15 22LR Carbine.

"(IV) Armalite M15-T.

"(V) Barrett REC7.

"(VI) Beretta AR-70.

"(VII) Bushmaster ACR.

"(VIII) Bushmaster Carbon 15.

"(IX) Bushmaster MOE series.

"(X) Bushmaster XM15.

"(XI) Colt Match Target Rifles.

"(XII) DoubleStar AR rifles.